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CHESTER, S. C. TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1916.

BOTH SIDES HEARD ON PREPAREDNESS

Assistant Chief of Staff Resumes
Statements in Favor of Admin-
istration Plan.

Washington, January 13.—Two sides of the military preparedness problem were heard today by Congressional committees. Miss Jane Adams, president of the Women's Peace Society of America, urged the House and Senate military committees to make no increase in the army, at least until the European war was over, saying the preparedness movement was due to panic on account of the war. When she left the House committee room Major Gen. Ellis, assistant chief of staff, resumed his statement as a military expert in favor of the Administration's army plan.

Miss Adams arguing that it would be foolish to build more dreadnaughts until it was known whether they were of any use, suggests that a commission be created to study army and navy efficiency and also look into the existing heavier armament for the nation. Preparation against a "hypothetical enemy," she said, was needless and the United States should be prepared to lead with clean hands the movement for reduction of armaments which she thought must follow the great war. If she had not supported former President Roosevelt in his last campaign, and then called attention to Col. Roosevelt's recent utterances on the need of preparedness.

"He was not talking like this then," Miss Adams replied. "There said it after the war. He said it is my sober judgment that he does not speak for any large body of people."

The room was crowded with women while Miss Adams spoke and vigorous applause greeted her salutes against militarism.

Senator Fletcher returned to the examination of Major Gen. Ellis, assistant chief of staff of the army, while Miss Adams went to the White House and conferred with President Wilson over the possibility of restoring peace to Europe. She maintained that her talk was a continuation of one she had with the President several months ago when she proposed a conference of neutrals to propose peace terms. Miss Adams declared regretfully today that she saw no immediate prospect of ending the European argument against increased army and navy appropriations made by Miss Adams before the Senate military committee brought forth a flood of questions.

Senator Fletcher asked whether she believed it safe to assume there would be disarmament after the war. She responded that no nation would have enough money or men left to carry on another war. Senator Thomas suggested Bulgaria and Serbia were going through the third war in a short period of time.

Miss Adams remarked that nations were like boys and that the boys with knuckles were the ones likely to get into scrapes.

When Senator Thomas suggested that if China had been prepared Japan would have extended its powers there, Miss Adams declared China had existed for more than 4,000 years without an army, longer than the life of most great nations, and that after the war it might be expected that by a conflict of nations Japan would be compelled to withdraw.

Gen. Bliss told the House committee that American plans called for 200 aeroplanes a month and that there was no immediate necessity of increasing the army aircraft fleet except to equip the new aeroplanes proposed in the department's plans. He bolstered a balanced obligation with proper proportions of all arms of the service, was the vital need of the army.

Roping in a question Gen. Bliss said it was impossible to determine the relative value of the navy, coast artillery or the mobile army in any plan of defense. "It would be as easy," he said, "to decide which was most necessary to the body, the heart, lungs or spine. He argued in fa-

LARGE NUMBERS LEAVING MEXICO

Senators Stone and Lewis Reply to
Attacks of Republicans on the
Administration.

Washington, Jan. 14.—That large numbers of Americans are leaving northern Mexico was reported to the State Department, but it is estimated that not counting the members of a Mormon colony at Casas Grandes, there still are at Parral, Durango, Madera and other points in districts whose control by Carranza is doubtful more than 200,000. The majority of these may remain in spite of warnings. It is feared.

When Secretary Lansing was asked whether the United States Government would protect its citizens under such circumstances he replied that it would do so "to the best of its ability," but that in such cases the Government would not be obliged to use force where "people are indiscreet." He compared the situation in Mexico with that in Europe at the beginning of the war when Americans were ordered out.

Debate in the Senate brought out the positive declarations from Senator Stone and Senator Lewis of Illinois, that there would be no countenancing of the demands of Republican leaders for intervention, and both charged the Republicans with making a political issue. Senator Stone after his conference with President Wilson said intervention in Mexico at this time would be monstrous in the face of the fact that the United States had just recognized Carranza. He declared that to intervene would be playing into the hands of Villa and Zapata, who sought for purposes of revenge to make trouble between Carranza and the United States.

Senator Lewis insisted that the Republicans, despoiling of any other political issue sought to make Mexico a paramount political issue in intervention in Mexico, he said, would turn South and Central America against the United States and the United States.

Senator Fall, Republican, assailed the Administration and bitterly attacked Carranza, declaring that even Senator Stone would be amazed at his weakness by this Government could he see notes from the Brazilian Minister, formerly in Mexico City, regarding Carranza's outrages.

Senator Lodge observed during the debate that the war of April 21, 1914 against Huerta had been successfully terminated "inasmuch as Mr. Huerta has just died in jail."

Senator Stone tonight said the foreign relations committee would not meet until next week, when President Wilson is expected to send information regarding the recognition of the Carranza Government requested in Senator Fall's resolution.

Chairman Flood of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said his committee would not consider Carranza's resolutions at any time at least.

The reported threat of a group of Americans at El Paso to enter Mexico with a military organization of their own apparently is not taken seriously by the State Department. It is intimated such a movement, unless it would be a violation of the neutrality laws, would be checked.

Charges made by citizens of El Paso against Colonel Edwards of Juarez, were received during the day. Mr. Lansing said he saw "no necessity for replying."

Part of the war department plan to add a number of new regiments to the army to make up the skeleton formation of three infantry divisions contemplated as necessary by army experts. To Chairman Hay's suggestion that the 35,000 additional men asked for be added to existing organizations the general objected but any practical way of accomplishing the National Guard must be given the needed 100,000 men.

Gen. Bliss endorsed the continued army plan filed and said he had been unable, in months of study, to see any practical way of accomplishing the National Guard must be given the needed 100,000 men.

THOSE THAT HAVE—GET BY A.T. WESTON



FRANCE WOULD AID MERCHANT MARINE

To Increase Their Fleet by the
Purchase of Armies or
Neutral Vessels

Paris, January 13.—To meet the transportation crisis resulting from the maritime shipping facilities the Government to authorize an advance by the treasury of 100,000,000 francs to ship owners, so that they may increase their fleets by purchase of allied or neutral vessels.

The Government's bill will be presented to the Chamber of Deputies tomorrow.

The preamble says that after examining various plans to facilitate the provisioning of the country, the Government has decided that the best method is to encourage private initiative by assisting owners to purchase allied or neutral steamers.

The bill therefore authorizes the treasury to make advances to ship owners, on the approval of the ministry of marine, up to the sum of 100,000,000 francs for the acquisition of steamships. These funds will be loaned at the rate of interest charged by the Bank of France for advances on securities.

Such loans will be made from the date of promulgation of the bill until one year after the end of the war. The maximum proportion of the maximum price of vessels to be advanced is fixed at 10 per cent for companies already owning 20,000 tons of shipping or more and 50 per cent for those owning less than this amount, or for new enterprises. Payment is to be made in the case of companies of the first class in three annual sums, in the case of the second class in four installments and by sinking companies in eight payments. In each case the first installment will be payable one year after the time of the purchase.

The steamships will be examined by Government experts before they are bought. They must be in good navigable condition and guaranteed free from all mortgage or lien at the time of purchase.

ATLANTA RECALLERS PLANNING NEW MOVE

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 13.—"What are you going to do next?" is the question that is on everybody's lips regarding the men and religious leaders who were snared under the spell of the unsuccessful recall election.

That they are going to do something nobody doubts.

Georgia Jackson is not the kind of man to accept defeat and let it go at that.

What will be the next step in his plans has not been announced, but it is being awaited with interest.

MONEY TO HORNE FOLLOWED ARREST

Information That if Von Westin
Secure Funds it was
Legal Aid

Washington, Jan. 16 Accounts of a German embassy, it became known tonight, prove, in the opinion of embassy officials, that if Captain von Papen, recalled minister, actually paid any money by check to Horne, it was not until after Horne had been arrested and charged with blowing up the Canadian Pacific railway bridge at Van Hook, Me.

London dispatches have stated that since von Papen's check book, taken from him by the British authorities for \$20,000 drawn to Horne's credit the day after the attack, he received \$2,000 from the German embassy. According to the embassy accounts it was said \$2,000 was paid to von Papen within a few days after the explosion at Vancouver to defray expenses in connection with the defense of Horne, a German citizen.

It also was intimated at the embassy that if von Papen had paid money to Hans Adam von Wedell, indicted in New York for an alleged passport fraud, it had been to assist him legally von Wedell fled after being indicted.

German officials had repeatedly denied responsibility for acts of Horne. State department officials have intimated that evidence which would prove Horne received money from a German source before he fled by the bridge might result in diplomatic correspondence with Berlin.

In official and diplomatic circles much interest was shown today in additional details regarding the contents of the documents taken from Capt. von Papen which purported to show that payments were made to Paul Koenig, the Hamburg-American line official tried in New York for conspiracy, and to von Wedell. In a teletype diplomatic circles on attempt was made to deny that such payments had been made. Koenig was pointed out, and it was to be expected that he would be paid.

The embassy expects that some formal statement regarding all the information contained in press dispatches will shortly be made from Berlin.

SCHOOLS ARE BENEFITED

By Funds Collected From Hunt-
ers' License

Columbia, January 13.—The results of the hunters' license law passed at the 1915 session of the Legislature, have not only been entirely satisfactory but most agreeable to the schools. Going into effect July 1 this law has now been operative only six months. The hunt-
ing season opened in the fall, hence its benefits could be judged only from a part of the present season, said J. E. Swearingen, State Superintendent of Education, in commenting on this situation. Yes,

ALMSHOUSE NEEDS SEPTIC TANK

Inspection Made of Chester Coun-
ty Jail, Changing, etc.—Above
the Average

In connection with penal and charitable institutions in other counties of the State, the dining room provided by the penal and charitable institutions in Chester county is an increase in the interest shown by the public in the way in which they are managed, said A. D. Olin, assistant secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, who was in Chester the latter part of last week and while here inspected the county jail, the State Board of Charities and Corrections, and the county almshouse.

The report of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, said that the general impression shown by the public is increasing in penal and charitable institutions was one of the defects which the Board was trying to overcome. In order to meet the interest of people in every county in the penal and charitable institutions maintained by the county Board of Charities and Corrections, and to correct the existing local differences of visitors at each county seat. The Board has asked three committees to interest themselves in the penal and charitable institutions maintained in their counties, and since they are familiar with conditions it is of interest after people who visit them.

The local committee of visitors to the State Board of Charities and Corrections in Chester county is composed of Mr. H. B. Malone, chairman, Mr. L. T. Shubert, and Mr. Robert L. Douglas.

Mr. Olin said that in his opinion on the county "dining room" was found to be in good condition and that the county jail was in good condition on the day he visited it.

It is the county almshouse which receives the most attention at present. Said the assistant secretary of the Board, "I do not mean to say that it is being neglected, but as a matter of fact, I consider it very capable hands. It is the group of mentally deficient inmates at the almshouse which makes the problem there."

Mr. Olin said that from his own experience with them he believed that the county and city officials in charge of penal and charitable institutions in Chester would welcome the aid of visitors in making improvements in them and would accept constructive criticism in good part.

The assistant secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections of sewerage should be in the future. He thinks that a septic tank installed at the almshouse. A new cattle barn there would increase the efficiency of the place. Davidson in regard to improvements in the stockade in the basement of the city hall where city convicts are now housed.

There will be a special meeting of the Commercial Club tonight at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

A movement has been launched in Lancaster whereby a hospital is to be erected. At a meeting a few days ago the plans were practically completed.

terday.

The law is operative in seven counties. It prescribes a fee of \$1.10 for a county license and \$2 for a State license. Collections are used in meeting expenses, and any and all surplus goes to the general fund of the county where collected. The State game warden distributed recently \$6,148.00 among these seventeen counties. This law could be made State-wide, it would bring in an appreciable revenue to the schools. This first appointment indicates a year—an amount exceeding the annual State appropriation for public school buildings. Through the raising of revenue is not the chief purpose of the hunters' license, this contribution to the schools should not be overlooked.

LETTER SOLE CLUE TO HER IDENTITY

So Far Authorities Have Been Un-
able to Locate Relatives of
Asheville or Asheville

The body of the woman who was found dead in her room at a Columbia hotel has not yet been identified and none of her relatives have been located. The coroner and the chief of police are working on the case, and the body will be held at Van Meter's funeral parlors for several days in an effort to ascertain definitely who she was and where she was from.

The dead woman, registered as Mrs. Henry Johnson, Asheville, N. C., but as yet the authorities have been unable to locate her home or relatives in that city. The woman was between 25 and 30 years of age, had light hair and fair complexion, and weighed about 125 pounds. The authorities are very anxious to locate her relatives.

Mrs. Johnson came to the hotel last Monday. She left a call Friday night for a doctor Saturday morning. When called she did not respond. A maid was sent to her room, and when she could get no answer, further investigation was made. The room was entered and Mrs. Johnson was found dead. A post mortem examination was held Sunday night, and a death was found to be from natural causes, no poison was held.

Coroner Scott has just said that the authorities had no idea which they were following out which they hoped would result in identification of the dead woman. The coroner said that this clue was a registered letter which Mrs. Johnson retained in Columbia last week, and which they were tracing through the postal authorities, hoping that through this letter relatives might be located. The State.

AIMS BLOW AT S. C. WESTERN DISTRICTS

Overman Surprised to Find Would
Do Away With Attorney and Mar-
shal. No Chance of Passage.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The bills for recent rumors to the effect that the Western district of South Carolina is to be abolished has been discovered. It is considered a routing-bill of 216 pages, having an introduction and a public statement. The bill was prepared, it is understood, by the department of justice and sent to Senator Overman, chairman of the senate judiciary committee, who introduced it without previously saying it.

The bill is entitled, "A bill to reorganize, revise and amend the laws relating to the judiciary." Section 1 is as follows:

"There shall be appointed in each district, except the Western district of South Carolina, a person licensed in the law to act as a attorney. The United States in such district, the district attorney of the South district of South Carolina shall perform the duties of the district attorney for the Western district of such state."

Section 18 provides: "A marshal shall be appointed in each district, except the Western district of South Carolina. The marshal of the Western district of South Carolina shall perform the duties of marshal of the Western district of such state."

What representations were made to the department of justice and by whom, upon which to base these provisions of the bill, could not be learned, but doubtless, when the bill comes up for consideration, there will be some very interesting developments in this connection.

"The friends of J. F. Brinkley, the efficient County Treasurer, will regret to know it was necessary to carry him to a Chester Hospital on Friday night for an operation. He expended \$100,000 from his own money on the operation, which was extremely critical but the patient has been recovered. The friends have the sympathy of their many friends—Asheville Western."

Mr. A. C. Little, of Gastonia, and the operators of Deane's Theatre, spent yesterday in Chester.

"Not quite. I know I couldn't get a pass in Greek, if I had it to do over again."

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APPROPRIATION NOT SPENT.

Those opposed to the election of Governor Manning raised a great "howl" when the legislature appropriated \$2,000 to the governor for legal advice. Some who voted for Governor Manning were also opposed to the appropriation, however, it has been settled. The Governor comes up with the \$2,000 stating that he has not used any of it.

SIX PERCENT MONEY.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature to make the legal rate of interest in South Carolina six per cent. Now, most any one would prefer borrowing money at six per cent in preference to paying eight, but we must not forget the fact that a bank or an individual cannot be forced to loan money when and where they do not see fit. We venture the assertion that there are people today who are borrowing money at eight per cent who could not get it at six with the same collateral. Our opinion is that six per cent money would work a hardship on great many people.

CASH BUSINESS—ITS DISADVANTAGES.

We note that some one has referred to the disadvantages that the plan of selling for cash puts some persons to, working in rare instances a hardship on the man who has no money and is not in a position to get it. We admit that there may be such exceptional cases, but they are few and far between. The man who is industrious and provident is rarely without money, and if he ever gets in this condition he is sure to be able to get it; for the honest, hardworking man has a rating that makes him good for what he may need. He is sure to have standing enough to get money from the banks. The banks have given a great impetus to the cash business in their willingness to lend money to the right kind of people, be they white or black.

We admit that the cash plan is very severe on the dead beat, and the rascal who is out to get all that he can without paying for it. He has been working his game a long time, and he and his tribe have put away a goodman out of business, but the time has about come when he will be out of the game. The cash business that is springing up all over the country is going to either make or ruin this crowd. Who will say that they deserve any sympathy or consideration whatever? We are very sure that we have none for them. The fellow who will not pay his debts is rotten through and through. If he is good for anything in this world we have never been able to find out what it is. He is a carbage on each and every place where he may happen to hang out. Worse—a festering, running sore that needs to be fumigated. The cash business will disinfect him thoroughly, and may result in his final cure, though the disease is so deep seated as to become constitutional. It is a tonic that will purify the blood of the dishonest rascal, paying crowd.—Greenwood Journal.

NEEDED IN CHESTER.

Chester is badly in need of small manufacturing enterprises. They would add to the city in various ways, especially from a financial standpoint.

Wherever you see a number of manufacturing enterprises you find money in circulation at all times. The help receive their weekly compensation and spend it for things needed and desired and this class usually pay cash.

We have of late noticed articles from various points mentioning the fine business being enjoyed by hosiery and knitting mills. We recall one mill which cleared thirty six per cent last year. We would like to see one of Chester's progressive business men make a move along this line.

Catawba High School Meets April 14, 15.

The next annual oratorical contests of the Catawba Inter-High School Athletic and Oratorical Association will be held in the auditorium of the Rock Hill high school on Friday evening April 14 and the track meet on Saturday April 15th. The order of speakers in the boys' contest will be as follows: Lancaster, Winnsboro, Winthrop Training School, Chester, Fort Mill, York, Rock Hill. In the girls' contest the following will be the order: Winthrop Training School, Fort Mill, Lancaster, Winthrop, Rock Hill, York, Chester.

These matters were decided upon along with many other things for the interest of the association at a meeting held at the Carolina Hotel last Saturday. All the schools were represented except Chester. Supt. Swearinger who was in the city being asked to act as proxy for Chester in drawing for places.

This year each school will be allowed to send eight men instead of six as heretofore but one man can enter more than three events. Thus Sophia of Greece has been summoned to the bedside of her brother, Emperor William, whose illness is described as serious. The Queen, the message says, is to depart at once for Berlin.

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How to Begin Keeping Beef Cattle.

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The officers for the ensuing year are: G. V. Hunter, M. D., of Prosperity, president; Walter Sorrell of Camden, secretary and treasurer; vic presidents, James S. McKeown of Cornwell, E. J. Watson of Columbia, R. M. Claffey of Fort Motte, and R. M. Cooper of Winnsky.

WHITE OAK NEWS.

White Oak, Jan. 14.—Quite a crowd from here attended the funeral of Mr. F. M. Mobley last Tuesday.

There were also many relatives and friends from Florida, Columbia, and Winnsboro present to pay their last sad tribute to their beloved dead.

This week about finished up the hog killing around here. Messrs. Patrick, J. J. McDowell and W. A. Nell killed fine once this week.

Our teachers and students have all returned to their respective colleges and schools.

There has been quite a lot of moving around here the last two weeks. Lagrippe still has a hold on many around here yet. I am glad to report my old friend Mr. Robert Sterling is improving nicely now. He has been very unwell for several weeks.

Mayer and Mrs. M. W. Patrick have returned home from a visit to relatives at Marietta, Ill.

Mrs. J. J. McDowell has returned home from Statesville, N. C. and Rock Hill where she spent several weeks with relatives. She reports having a nice time in the old North State.

Mr. W. A. Nell spent several days this week with friends at Flint Hill and Waterloo.

Marriages and rumors of marriages are prevailing down this way, these days.

Judge H. F. Buckel, of Columbia, attended the Mobley funeral last of the day with friends here.

Your scribbler has just heard that his old friend and comrade in arms, Mr. J. M. McDonald, of Blackstock Route 1, is critically ill. I truly hope he may soon recover and enjoy his usual health again.

J. H. N.

QUEEN OF GREECE SUMMONED TO KAISER

To Leave For Brother's Bedside at Once—Crown Prince to Preside at Council.

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Addresses were made by S. H. Ray of the United States department of agriculture on "How to Begin Keeping Beef Cattle" and by W. K. Lewis, who reported on the work accomplished under the tick bill appropriation. Mr. Lewis said that the work was progressing well and that it was almost a year in advance of what he had expected. Mr. Ray stressed the importance of breeding pure bred bulls on the common stock and also the necessity of growing sufficient feed before breeding is begun.

Dreamland Theatre Has Great Features

The Dreamland Theatre will present upon Tuesday an all star programme of popular favorites in moving pictures when Grace Cunard and Francis Ford will be seen in the sixth episode of the "Broken Color" also upon this day a feature picture with J. Warren Kerrigan will be shown making a six reel programme that is hard to beat. Wednesday will be comedy day when an all comedy programme will be shown featuring Gertrude Shelby, Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran.

Thursday Little Mary Fuller assisted by Paul Palmer and Chas. Ogle in a three reel drama "The Tale Of The 'C'" which the producers claim is the best offering that Mary Fuller has ever appeared in since she became a movie star.

Friday the greatest railroad drama of the age is seen with feathered Helen Holmes as the star.

Saturday Ben Wilson & Dorothy Phillips in a big feature production "The Bachelors Christmas" is shown. The above programme shows that a star will be shown every day at the Dreamland Theatre this week and its a programme of movie plays that will appeal to the movie fans wanting a variety programme. The regular prices of 5 and 10 cents will prevail every day this week.

Mrs. W. M. McNairy will be hostess for the Forty-two club Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at her home on College street.



DREAMLAND WEDNESDAY

Madam, Allow Me

To Introduce the NEW Post Toasties

You may have eaten "corn flakes" but you have never tasted any that equal the New Post Toasties.

These new flakes, madam, are crisp and flakey, and have a substance and toasty flavour, a snap and zest that make them distinctive.

Dainty to be sure in their sweetness, the New Post Toasties have a body and firmness that don't mush down when cream or milk is added; and a true ripe-corn flavour that makes one feel that here, at last, is something really new and good to eat.

New Post Toasties—selected Indian, Corn, prepared for the table as it was never prepared before.

Your grocer has them now.

Buy and Try and Smile Awhile



DEATH OF FORMER CHESTER CITIZEN.

Chaffotte, Jan. 15th.—Mr. Julius Schiff, formerly and for many years a resident of Charlotte, died in the New York Sanatorium Wednesday night after an illness of about two years. Mr. Schiff was born in Germany but came to Charlotte when he was 14 years of age. He was raised by the late Jonas Schiff and was a first cousin of Mrs. N.

L. Simmons and Mr. Louis Schiff, Simmons of Chester. Two children survive this union, Messrs. Lewis and Arthur Schiff. Mr. Schiff's second wife was Miss Myra Hester of Spartanburg. Two children survive this union, namely, Dorothy and Julius. The funeral took place in New York yesterday. Mr. Schiff traveled the Southern States for a New York clothing house for many years. He was well known and highly esteemed. Mr. Schiff was twice married. His first wife was Miss Jeanie

NOTICE

Next Saturday, Jan. 22nd, we propose to offer all men's and boys' suits at prices that will make you sit up and take notice. There's lots of winter still to come, and if you want a good suit cheap this is your chance. Select line of best fabrics in all sizes and latest styles.

Remember the date.

RODMAN-BROWN COMPANY

Dr. A. T. Carter

Of Rock Hill, Will Be At
McFadden Boarding House
Richburg, S. C.

Wednesday, January 19th

FITTING PRESCRIPTION GLASSES
ONE DAY ONLY

I will make regular trips and will change your lenses free for two years. Headache cured from Eye-strain or Error of Refraction by PROPERLY ADJUSTED GLASSES. I will fit glasses at cost on this trip to Advertise by prescription work.

Examinations Free this Day Only

Manhattan Shirt Sale Is Now On!

Our Manhattan Shirt Sale began Thursday and will continue through Saturday, January 29th.
GREAT OPPORTUNITY

This is a great opportunity to buy genuine Manhattan Shirts at the following sale prices:

\$1.50 Shirt now - - \$1.15
2.00 Shirts now - - 1.55
2.50 Shirts now - - 1.95

Come early and get your choice of these beautiful Shirts.

THE BIG STORE

The S. M. Jones Company

MARKETS

Cotton Market Today:

Cotton 12 cents.
Cotton-Good 60 cents.

LOCAL and PERSONAL

WANTED—Every man and boy in Chester and Chester county to read our special sale on next Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Rodman-Brown Co.

At a regular meeting of Franklin Chapter, No. 2, R. A. M., last Thursday night the following officers were installed: Dr. W. E. Anderson, H. P.; W. D. Knox, King; G. W. Chitty, Scribe; D. E. Colvin, Treasurer; S. E. Wylie, Secretary; M. R. Clark, C. H.; Walter Simpson, P. S.; Auburn Woods, R. A. G.; M. J. Ehrlich, M. of SV.; John H. Crawford, M. of SV.; M. C. Fudge, M. of IV.; J. W. White, Sentinel.

Every day this week will be sales day on men's and boys' suits; but Saturday will be a special. Rodman-Brown Co.

On account of the protracted meeting being held at the First Baptist church, there will be no prayer meeting services at Purity Presbyterian church tomorrow night.

Miss Anna Lewis of the graded schools faculty, spent the week-end with her parents, Col. and Mrs. W. Lewis, in York.

LOST: Between Presbyterian church and Center street Armstrong. Reward if returned to 139 Center Street.

Mr. J. M. Jones left today for Atlanta, Ga., to attend meeting of the Coca Cola Association. Mr. Jones will visit his former home, Talladega, Ala., before returning to Chester.

DON'T FAIL to read our advertisement in regular space. It will pay you Rodman-Brown Co.

FATHER, IF YOU NEED a suit for yourself NOW is the time to buy it. If you need a suit for your boy NOW is the time to buy it. Rodman-Brown Co.

Misses Annie May and Madeline Pryor were Columbia visitors Saturday.

Mr. Robert Lockie, of Columbia, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

Trains on the Seaboard Railway were delayed several hours here Sunday due to a freight train being wrecked about five miles below Chester. Only one car left the track but cross ties were smashed up for about one-half mile.

HAVE YOU SEEN the beautiful spring gingham dresses for children they are showing at The S. M. Jones Co.?

We wish to direct the attention of our readers to an article in this issue regarding an inspection of the county jail, chaingang, etc., by Mr. A. D. Oliphant, Assistant Secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, which was made last week.

LOST—Bunch of keys at Southern depot. Reward if returned to this office. J. K. Henry, Jr.

T. L. Douglas of Chester, is in the city making preparations to establish a bowling alley in the Ross building. Carpenters are putting several rooms on the first floor in shape for the alley, which will probably be opened to the public by the latter part of the week.—York News.

ARE YOU taking advantage of the Manhattan shirt sale at The S. M. Jones Co.?

Speaking of gasoline—it has now reached twenty-five cents per gallon. Is it keeps on rising they will be throwing in a "fliver" with each gallon.

An old saying says that the first twelve days of the year will accurately forecast the weather for the rest of the year. After observations extending over the aforementioned periods we conclude that a slight rain is due to arrive in the middle of June.

South Carolina has about \$75,000 worth of whiskey left over, which will have to be disposed of by the General Assembly, says an exchange. We certainly hope they will wind up the appropriations before they start into this, if they don't there is no telling what they will do.

WE ARE showing a beautiful assortment of ladies' spring silk dresses at The S. M. Jones Co.

Mr. Boyce Carter has resigned the position as Cashier of the Bank of York, S. C., to accept a position as bookkeeper for the Swift Fertilizer Co., in this city. The many friends of Mr. Carter are pleased to have him again in Chester.

Mr. J. B. Magill, stakeholder for the Carolina & North-Western Railway, at Hickory, was a Chester visitor Saturday.

Denizens of sleeping porches received full value for their money this morning when they awoke to find that the mercury had burrowed itself to a depth of about 24 degrees in a vain effort to secure refuge from a wind that was shrieking round corners at a 20-mile gale. The cold was averted.

Miss Emma Thomson spent the week-end at her home in Rock Hill.

Mrs. Nancy C. Moore, of Lancaster, died at the home of her son, Paul Moore, in that city last Friday morning. She was 84 years of age.

Mr. W. A. Leckie spent Monday in Charlotte.

Misses Sallie Stone and Margaret Evans have returned from a visit in Lancaster accompanied by Miss Kate McManus, who is the guest of Miss Stone.

Within the last day or two several safes have been cracked in South Carolina by yeggmen. Some of these robberies have been committed in cities enjoying night policemen but the dullness of the sound when the safe is cracked does not attract attention. You can never tell when the yeggman is coming and in order to be secure it is advisable to place your money in the banks of Chester, who have burglar-proof safes.

S. T. Carter, who is serving his second term as State Treasurer, announced yesterday, in Columbia, that he will be candidate for reelection.

SUPPORT WHALEY'S BILL TO DEEPEN THE HARBOR

Messrs. Whaley, Rhett, McLeod and Whitlitt Before House Committee.

Washington, January 14—Congressman Whaley, President Rhett, of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce, former President B. P. McLeod and Mr. J. M. Whitlitt appeared before the river and harbor committee of the House today in support of Mr. Whaley's bill to deepen the harbor of Charleston to 30 feet and to remove the two shoals in Cooper River, so as to give deep water from the bar to the Navy Yard.

The hearing lasted for several hours. The main line of questioning from the members of the committee related to the failure of the city of Charleston to maintain a municipal dock. It was observed by the chairman and members of the committee that a port whose water front was owned by the railroad ought to provide public terminal facilities if they expect recognition in Federal harbor legislation. In reply, Mr. Rhett made the point that under a State law the wharf rates at Charleston are regulated by a commission, and that the objection which the committee had in mind should therefore not have weight in this case, however valid in others.

Miss Annie Hardin entertained in a delightful manner the members of the Sh. Nocturne Club, Friday afternoon. After an exchange of books and a social hour delicious refreshments were served.

COL. T. J. CUNNINGHAM NAMED FOR POSTMASTER

News Received Saturday Morning—Contest Apparently Ended.

The speculation as to the next postmaster for Chester apparently came to an end Saturday morning when both the local newspapers received a telegram from Hon. D. E. Finley, advising that the name of Col. T. J. Cunningham had been submitted for the place. Some few days ago it was apparent that Senator Smith had some opposition to this appointment, but indications are that same have been withdrawn, and it is believed Col. Cunningham will receive the appointment without trouble.

If Col. Cunningham receives the appointment he will assume charge of one of the best managed postoffices in the country. Postmaster Duval, during his sixteen years in the office, has been held up by the department as an ideal postmaster.

The Washington Correspondent of the Columbia State has the following to say regarding the appointment:

Washington, Jan. 16—On being asked today about the Chester postmaster, Congressman Finley said: "More than a year ago Senator Tillman came to me and stated that under an agreement between the senators and the congressmen the congressmen were to have the naming of the postmasters in their districts, the only exception being that the appointee should not be personally obnoxious to either of the senators. In this conversation Senator Tillman requested me that when the time came to name a postmaster for Chester I should give him a say as to who the postmaster should be. This I readily and heartily promised to do, not knowing whom Senator Tillman's choice would be."

"Senator Tillman upon receipt of my letter today requesting him to make a suggestion for postmaster at Chester without qualification indicated T. J. Cunningham. For more than 20 years Col. Cunningham has been my friend and without any reservation I will send in tomorrow the name of Col. Cunningham for postmaster at Chester."

DICTAPHAN AT WORK

Strange Plot of Demented Son Revealed.

Chicago, Jan. 17—Mental infirmity, the result of boyhood injury, is the opinion of Furman D. Updike and his wife caused their son Irving to plot against his parents' lives. Irving Updike was taken to the police by means of a hidden telephone, had listened to Herbert Updike, a young brother of Irving, discuss with him the manner in which the attack on Mr. and Mrs. Updike was to be made. The conversation took place in the Updike garage. A stenographic copy of it was prepared by a police stenographer.

The police think the plot was the result of Irving Updike's fear that his father was about to alter his will.

Herbert gave the information on which the plot came to light and it is regarded by the police as having prevented a tragedy in the Updike household.



DREAMLAND THURSDAY

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between S. L. Cassels and J. H. Williamson, under the firm name of Cassels & Williamson, as Managers of the Chester Opera House is hereby dissolved; J. H. Williamson assuming all obligations and collecting all accounts.

This Jan. 18, 1916.
S. L. CASSELS,
J. H. WILLIAMSON.

AS TO THE POSTOFFICE.

I see in the Reporter, of the seventeenth, that the contest had been ended over the postmasterhip. As I understand the measure, there was no contest. There has been an appointment and a complete ignoring of those who have sent in petitions.

In the Chester case, what are the facts? Finley comes forth and tells us that Tillman claimed that he has had the claim of appointment on him for twenty years and that he, Finley, had gone in with Tillman more than one year ago and agreed upon their friend being made the postmaster.

Now, why in the name of Thunder and Tom Walker, did they not, like men, come out when this matter was coming to an issue and publicly give others the information instead of treating them in the arbitrary and contemptible way in which they did.

What could have prompted such action on their part. I can have but one reason to measure it by and that was to allow petitioners, and I am informed there are a number, to trouble them and that they could assume themselves over the great anxiety that would be shown over such a fat job. That is all I can see to it.

I believe it was Old Jackson who said, "To the victors belong the spoils" and when the Republicans held the barrel they placed their man, and now that the Democrats have control they through such measures have landed their man for the good things of their administration. It is reasonable to sup-

pose that the beneficiary and friends felt very much elated over the outcome. On the other hand the other applicants for the place and their friends should feel mortified from the contemptible and arbitrary way they were treated and should in self respect forever condemn such political trickery and to come back and offer such excuse. They either take that class as fools or incapable of being insulted. Under the circumstances how can those people, treated in such manner, ever forget the incident?

I never did take either of them to be Solomon, nor shall I ever take all the people they so much ignored to be fools.

They had the right to appoint, none dispute, but the manner was bad and do denounce and want them to be understood, man at best is a peculiar creature. He is nothing more than a vapour in this world and each cuts a caper and down he goes.

Citizen.

W. F. STEVENSON FOR CONGRESS FIFTH DISTRICT

Mr. W. F. Stevenson authorizes us to announce that he will be a candidate in the Democratic Primary during the coming summer for Congress from the Fifth Congressional District, and to thank his many friends for their very substantial support in the last primary for the same position.

Treat Children's Colds Externally

Don't dose delicate little stomachs with harmful internal medicines. Vick's "Vapo-Rub" Salve, applied externally, relieves by inhalation as a vapor and by absorption through the skin. Vick's can be used freely with perfect safety on the youngest member of the family. 25c, 50c, or \$1.00.

VICK'S VAPOR SALVE

KLUTTZ Department Store Dutchess Trouser Opening



Kluttz Department Store is now exclusive agent in Chester for Dutchess Trousers, they are the largest Trouser manufacturers in the world. They are made for work or dress. Roomy-cut, easy comfortable, draped right. They are also made for boys. They are the best known Trousers made. The ideal Trousers made. The ideal Trousers for the young man with dressy tastes, or the older man with an eye to solid comfort, correct styles for both. We have just received our big spring shipment and invite you into see them. Be sure you see our big window display of Dutchess Trousers.

KLUTTZ DEPARTMENT STORE

"On The Hill"

See Our Line Of

Buffets, China Closets, Extension, Library and Center tables. We have them in all styles and at prices to suit every body, call and see them Miss Maude Phillips was awarded the prize Jan. 15.

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153 Gadsden Street.
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EXTRA FINE MULES

JUST ARRIVED TODAY

A car-load of the best Mules we have been to secure this season.

Don't neglect to visit our stables before buying: these mules are right up-to-the-minute and the price is sure to suit you.

If Its a good Mule you want we have It

Frazer Live Stock Co.

Prepayment Saved This Policy

Mr. Claude Westfall, of Clarkburg, W. Va. signed an application for Mutual Benefit Insurance on July 17, 1915, and paid the first quarterly premium of \$6.10 to the agent, taking in exchange therefor the Company's binding receipt. He made an appointment for examination the following day, but his wife, for whose benefit the insurance was to be taken, tried to dissuade him from attending to his insurance. The agent, however, finally prevailed upon him to be examined and on July 22nd examination was made. It proved favorable in every respect. The application, which was for a Life Accelerative Endowment policy, \$1,000 at age 31, was received at the Home Office July 26th. In accordance with the Company's usual custom in such cases, however, an inspection was called for which was received August 2nd. This being favorable, the application was approved by the Medical Board and passed on to the policy. Dependent Policy was issued and mailed on August 3, 1915. In the meantime, on July 30th, Mr. Westfall was taken sick and his trouble was diagnosed as acute peritonitis. On August 8th he died. It will be noted that this was the same day that his policy was mailed from Newark but the first premium having been prepaid the insurance was in force, although the policy itself was never delivered to the insured. The proceeds were paid to the wife on August 10th. Prepayment of the quarterly premium saved this insurance.

JOSEPH LINDSAY, District Agent
Chester, S. C.

A. M. SIMSON, Agent
Richburg, S. C.

M. M. MATTISON, General Agent
Anderson, S. C.

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The Semi-Weekly News

TO SHIP MILLION BALES TO GERMANY

Texas Farmers Union Ask President to Protect Shipment From British.

Washington, Jan. 13.—H. N. Pope, president of the Texas Farmers Union, accompanied by Senator Sheppard, told President Wilson of the union's plan to send a million bales of cotton to Germany via Rotterdam in American ships. He asked assurance for protection against British seizure. Sheppard said the president promised to do all he could. Cotton is on both the British and German contraband lists. The legality of the cotton export act is a subject of diplomatic correspondence. Cotton men say they have no objection to British seizure if they got the twenty-seven cents per pound promised in Germany. The market price is twelve cents. That is what the British have been paying on seizures.

FIVE MEN CONVICTED IN GREENVILLE COURT

Found Guilty of Manslaughter on Trial for Killing Freese in Judson Mill Strike. Greenville, Jan. 16.—The five men on trial for the killing of David Freese, a Judson mill striker, were found guilty of manslaughter late Saturday, and sentenced by Judge Gary to serve two years each. The defendants were Gordon Brown, Tom Harvey, I. A. Williams, Doll Hughes and John Humphreys. Freese was killed during a melee which occurred one morning just as the mill was about to open its doors for work.

Pending the outcome of a motion for a new trial, the five men were released on \$1,000 bond each. B. E. Geer, president of Judson mill, signed all the bonds. J. M. Geer signed with his brother for three of the men, while W. R. Neely and Mrs. Hendrix Neely signed with Mr. Geer for the other two.

The trial has caused considerable interest. The testimony was voluminous.

At the conclusion of this trial the court of general sessions adjourned sine die.

A Fine Aid For Mother-to-be

We are all greatly indebted to those who tell their experiences. And among



the most helpful of these are of immediate assistance to the expectant mother, in a special external remedy called "Mother's Friend." This is applied over the muscles of the stomach. It is a powerful laxative, and it relieves the mother of all the discomforts of pregnancy. It is a powerful laxative, and it relieves the mother of all the discomforts of pregnancy. It is a powerful laxative, and it relieves the mother of all the discomforts of pregnancy.

CATAWBA RURAL CREDITS ASSOCIATION A SUCCESS

Hickory, N. C. Jan. 14.—The second annual report of the Catawba Rural Credit Association made by George R. Wooten, secretary-treasurer, shows a total of 236 shares with a total present value of \$5,750.21. This organization, which has been in business for two years, has enjoyed a steady growth and is doing effective work. H. P. Lutz is president. G. H. Gettner vice president and George Wooten secretary-treasurer. Mr. Wooten gives his services free of charge and the business is carried on through the offices of the First Building and Loan Association.

Being the first organization of its kind to begin business in North Carolina its progress has been watched with interest. Its business is done along the plan of the building and loan and is resulting in great benefit to farmers who need money to buy land or improve what they now have. It is the fifth co-operative institution for Catawba County.

POISONED BY TATTOOING INK

Woman Freak Slowly Dying of Poison Which Has Brought on Cancerous Attack.

The lights are going out for Irene, the world's most famous tattooed woman. All the blare of music, all the gushiness and excitement of the circus and the stage have given way to the gruesome interior of a room at the Philadelphia hospital, where Irene is slowly dying of cancer of the stomach. A few years ago Irene made money so rapidly that she never took time to balance her accounts or to worry about the future. She spent 20 years of her career in Europe, appearing before the crowned heads. She traveled all the big circus routes of the United States, drawing a fat salary.

Then the notion of the tattoo market she had worn all over her body from the age of eight years began to put in its deadly work. Physicians say she has cancer of the stomach in an advanced stage and that an operation would be futile. The only thing the woman can do now is await death. She is 47 years of age and rapidly wasting.

According to her own story, her father was an artist. He tattooed her from head to toe when she was a child. She married when she was sixteen years old, and shortly after her husband died for a cancerous enlargement. The woman says her husband is now a professional inventor with an office in Washington. She and her friends say he has deserted her.

For two years old friends of theatrical circuits have been supporting her. She became too weak to travel with a circus or appear on the stage. All the half-million dollars she and her husband made in Europe and this country has been spent. She says her husband disposed of most of the money.

New York, Jan. 15.—Irene telling absorbing tales of circus life to the nurses in a voice that every day grows a little weaker. As her strength ebbs her memory seems to grow stronger. Little incidents of the past stand out vividly and lose nothing in her recital. Irene still an actress, is making the supreme effort of her career before her last audience.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Cupid on Trial.

Two souls with but a single thought, two hearts that beat in concert, were united in the more or less holy bonds of matrimony, according to the popular view, says the New York Times. The minister who performed the ceremony is pastor of the Church of the Social Revolution, and the couple were of his flock. Not for the contracting parties nor for the minister the conventional ritual of church and state, not for them the old-fashioned notion that marriage is a step that must be taken with no thought of turning backward. The pair made responses to a formula provided by the pastor of the Social Revolution and frankly declare they will consider their union binding only so long as they "love each other. Forever are sometimes justifiable, but it is not believed that this aspiring couple or their pastor have improved upon the liberal and wisely chosen laws of a majority of the states.

Plenty of Room Outside.

He had the acquaintance of the young woman at the home of a friend and was severely smitten.

"May I call on you?" he found the girl looked troubled.

"I'm afraid not," she replied. Then she noticed his look of deep disappointment and she hastily added: "We live in a flat, you see, and mamma and sister always sit in the parlor, and papa and the boys play chess in the dining room, and the kitchen is so awfully small and hot. Would—would you mind sitting on the fire escape?"

"No," he replied, "but would he have found it at all, and the course of true love never runs smooth again.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Love for an Hour.

What is it that makes people so much better company at a moment than under any other circumstances?

In the circle of a black mask and the domino we have no name, no past, no future, we are free up to or down to, and the mood that is upon us need never impose itself upon a later mood.

We can be spontaneous and genuine. No wonder we are good company!

For on the whole our spontaneous impulses are kindly and gay.

We are almost ready to love our fellow men for an hour, if we are not thereby committing ourselves to loving them for a lifetime.

A Shortage of Eclipses.

This year has been a famine so far as eclipse phenomena are concerned. Usually there are four or five each year, two of the sun and two of the moon; but both bodies have managed to avoid total obscuration this year, and though there have been two annular solar eclipses, confined mainly to the Pacific ocean, not once has the moon encroached on the obscuring shadow of the earth.

Regular Bonanza.

How did they ever succeed in extracting gold from the ocean? Growler—Not in paying quantities. Yet salt water is rich in gold.

Hedley—Why do you think so? Growler—Because a woman's tears have extracted millions from the opposite sex.

GREATEST OF ARCHES

BRIDGE OVER HELL GATE TRIUMPH OF ENGINEERING SKILL.

Work Which Had Many Complications Carried Out With Marvellous Accuracy—Designed to Carry Immense Load Safely.

October 1 saw the completion of the great \$12,000,000 railroad bridge over Hell Gate, when the two halves of the largest steel arch in the world, which have slowly been growing east toward each other for many months, were joined. No ceremonies marked the event, though from an engineering as well as a popular point of view, it was one of supreme interest. The bridge will close the last remaining gap in the line which is to link the metropolitan centers of the East from Washington to Boston, in an unbroken overland route of steel rails. The bridge will nominally be part of the New York connecting railroad, in practice it will be a nucleus of extending the Pennsylvania system via its Long Island railroad connections and the New Haven and Hartford lines to New England, and with the Boston & Maine to Quebec and the Maritime provinces of Canada. The route at no point will be broken by a water gap requiring ferriage. These aspects of the enterprise give it a national interest quite apart from its local interest as a nucleus of intercommunication in the metropolitan district of New York.

As an engineering feat the steel arch across Hell Gate has few equals in the world, and the greatness of the feat is made the greater by the marvellous accuracy with which it was carried out. The distance between the arch, between the mammoth concrete towers upon which its ends rest, is 1,017 feet. In the fabrication of the arch 19,000 tons of steel were employed, yet the latest computation made by the engineers check up to within one-fourth of an inch. This quarter-inch represents all possible inaccuracies in the manufacture of the thousands of separate pieces of steel that went into the structure. In the riveting of piece to piece, in the calculations of the expansion and contraction of the metal under changing temperature, and in the building up of the concrete towers from foundations reaching down 120 feet below the water level. The bridge will carry the heaviest load ever designed to be carried by such a structure. Each linear foot of the bridge will weigh 28 tons, the structure itself weighing 26 tons per foot, leaving 13 tons for weight of load. The tallest spires will be able to pass under the span without bending their towers or otherwise shortening their year. An achievement of this magnitude cannot be fairly passed without notice.

Why He Was Anxious.

He was tired to undergo a slight operation at the city hospital. Simple though the operation was, the man didn't feel quite "cast about himself. A few minutes before the anesthetic was to be applied he sent for his physician, who was to handle the instrument.

"Please, doctor," he said, "be careful about me."

"Oh, don't worry," the doctor said with fine assurance. "You'll be all right."

"But I wish you to be careful, doctor," the patient insisted.

"You seem to have a queer notion of yourself," the doctor remarked with a smile.

"I am," the patient replied, nervously. "I have one hundred dollars life insurance and I don't like my wife."—Indianapolis News.

Would Outshine Rival.

In a certain manufacturing town it was a common thing, not two years ago, for skilled workmen to have sufficient money wherewith to live for themselves.

A great deal of rivalry existed among these men as to who should have the best house, with gorgeous ornate architectural details. A and B were two rivals. A having built a house, B, whose turn soon afterward came, determined to outshine his rival in every particular.

Known architect to prepare plans. Asked what aspect he would like to his house, B, scratching his head, inquired:

"Aspect? What's that? Has A got one?"

"Why, of course," said the architect; "he could see out of his window."

"Then put me on two of 'em."

No Room for More Patients. While the committee has asked me to make a dozen pies for the charity bazaar.

Her Husband—What? Is the object of the bazaar my overcoats?

His Wife—To help raise funds for the free hospital.

Her Husband—But I understand the hospital is over-crowded.

His Wife—Yes, I believe it is.

Her Husband—Then for goodness' sake don't donate any of your pies.

Product From Sewage. German technical papers are reviving the idea of reclaiming fats and other useful products from sewage.

Clean-Up and Clean-Out Sale

At J. T. COLLINS' SPOT CASH DEPARTMENT STORE

Beginning Jan. 20th and Continuing 10 Days

Look Out for Big Circulars and Special Prices.

Every Suit and Overcoat and all Ladies' Coats and Coat Suits positively must be

sold quick, right now

CASH TALKS HERE

J. T. Collins' Cash Dept. Store

AWAITING RESULT OF OFFICIAL PROBE

Final Decision as to Cause of Explosion on Submarine Can Not Be Made Now.

Washington, Jan. 15.—No further advice to indicate what caused the explosion of the submarine B-2 yesterday at New York were received at the navy department today, and Secretary Daniels issued a statement saying the result of the official investigation would have to be awaited before a final decision on the point could be reached.

"I regret the publication of a statement quoting me as giving an opinion as to the cause of the explosion on the B-2," said the statement. "Immediately upon hearing of the accident I communicated with Rear Admiral Usher, commandant of the New York Navy yard. He has appointed a board, now in session, to investigate the matter. I am not yet in possession of information which would enable me to state the cause enabled to make such a statement of the accident and I shall not be enabled to make such a statement until the official reports are before me."

Admiral Usher reported tonight that the investigating board had continued its inquiry today, and added that of the men injured in the explosion, H. E. Miles, chief electrician; N. M. Clark, machinist's mate and J. Holsey, gunner's mate still were in a serious condition. The condition of the other injured men, he said, was favorable.

PRaise AMBULANCE MEN.

French Officers Extol Young Americans' Coolness and Courage.

Paris, Jan. 15.—The first winter's service of the American ambulance field sections on the firing line has won the warmest encomiums from officers at the front. Their letter to the ambulance authorities are enthusiastic over the courage and coolness of the young Americans. Constantly exposed to shell fire—two cars have already been destroyed—they have never failed in regularity and punctuality.

Volunteers now engage for three months, generally renewing their pledge at the conclusion of the first term. More than 400 have served in the past year and a half. Every State in the Union is represented, and every important educational center, Harvard easily leading in numbers. New York sent 72 volunteers; Boston followed with 18.

While at the front men have to submit to French military regulations. These a recent headquarters' order enjoined that all cases of illness, slight wounds, or trouble with teeth be treated at the front, in

had been noticed that in dull periods the Americans frequently made about trips to Paris, alleging that their teeth or eyes needed treatment. Though the general efficiency of the service was unimpaired by such a practice, it was considered that it had a bad effect on discipline, hence the new edict.

Since the sailing of the Peace Ark, the ambulance cars, which are all Fords, have been nicknamed Oscars.

CZAR PUTS QUIETUS ON PEACE RUMORS.

Petrograd, Jan. 14, via London.—"Rest assured, as I said at the beginning of the war, I will not make peace before we have forced the last of the enemy out of the limits of the mother country, and not otherwise than with the consent of our allies, to whom we are bound, not by paper, but by a sincere friendship and the tie of blood."

Emperor Nicholas, in these words addressed to one of his armies on the Russian western front during the week preceding the Russian Christmas, once more repelled to the rumors of a separate peace in Russia, which from time to time have run throughout the country and even reached the men in the trenches.

One Man Killed and Many Injured in Battle With Weapons and Clubs.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 15.—Rioting which broke out today between rival factions at the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in DuPont, near here, resulted in death of one man, the probable fatal injury of two others and the serious injury of at least a dozen more. Knives, revolvers and clubs played a prominent part, 11 state troopers being among the injured.

George Grezior, the dead man, was shot through the thigh, the bullet severing an artery. Trooper Ross Hamer of Pottsville and Joseph Tish of DuPont were wounded and are not expected to live.

This church has been the scene of half a dozen riots for many weeks, one faction objecting to the authority exercised by Bishop M. J. Hoban of the Catholic diocese of Scranton in appointing a priest to take charge of the affairs of the church, and the other supporting him. Every time the new priest has sought to hold services he has been prevented from entering the church by the opposing faction, but today arrangements had been made to say mass under the protection of the sheriff who called on the State police. A detail of a dozen troopers was on hand when services were to have opened, but so forbidding was the attitude of the crowd that a hurried call was sent

in for more troopers and 24 responded.

Before the reinforcements arrived the mob had attacked the first detachment, and when the second reached the scene most of the damage had been done. A second riot ensued in which the fighting was spectacular.

The Rev. W. A. Betts Becomes A Revivalist of the Churches.

To Personal Friends:

Having spent thirty-five years as pastor in the effective ranks of the Southern Methodist itineracy, and the Lord of the Harvest having so bountifully answered the prayer of the Church for the increase of the laborers in the home pastorate (the Conferences in these Southern parallels never were as now so congested with pastors), I have been transferred to the South Carolina Conference where most of my ministry has been spent, and through the courtesy of my comrades there, secured a supernumerary relation.

Now, I can say with John Wesley, "The world is my parish," and I am free to labor in the bounds of any Conference in general evangelistic work, upon invitation, or with consent of the pastor of any church. So I shall henceforth "draw all my cares and studies this way," and I hereby ask the frequent prayers and cordial assistance of all my friends of the ministry and laity in this important field of service for Christ and humanity.

Mail or messages will be promptly forwarded to me from Greenwood, South Carolina.

Your Brother,
W. A. BETTS.

With sincere good will. The first service will seek to lay emphasis upon the duty of world-wide missionary endeavor and show that "the light which shines farthest shines brightest at home. Fifty lantern views of China and Cuba will be exhibited. A committee on Community Survey will be organized.

There will be daily half-hour lessons in voice culture and practice in sight-reading of Church music. Preference will be given the standard hymns throughout the meeting. With prayerful pains a selection of those best suited for revivals has been made and to them largely the singing will be confined. Praise is not profane when we sing "with grace in our hearts unto the Lord." Congregational rather than choir singing will be sought.

Unless otherwise determined the meeting will last ten days.



DREAMI AND TUESDAY

TALK TO STUDENTS.

Home Demonstration Agents Speak at Winthrop.

Rock Hill, Jan. 15.—Much interest is being manifested in the short course for home demonstration agents which is being held at Winthrop college this month. In order that the student body and the faculty might get a clearer insight into the work as a whole, Dr. Johnson asked three of the county agents to give a public talk in chapel on Friday morning. Miss Dorothy Napier of Richland county told about the general organization of the work, and especially in her county. Miss Bertha Lochner, agent of Darlington county, told about the development of the work in Darlington county to the extent of having an assistant for 1916. Miss Jo Yarbrough, agent of Chester county, told what the work in her county meant to the "girl, the home and the community."

Mrs. Dora Dee Walker, assistant State agent home demonstration work and vice president of the South Carolina School Improvement association, made a talk to the Winthrop College School Improvement association on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Walker has been connected with the school improvement association for ten years, and told the members of the good that could be accomplished by organizing these associations when they went out as teachers.

REVOLUTIONISTS LOSE HEAVILY IN CHINA

Series of Fierce Encounters Ended in Republic of Anhui.

London, Jan. 15.—Many Chinese revolutionists were killed and captured in a series of bloody engagements January 6, 7 and 8, in the districts of Tamsui, Potosi, Tamsui

Suffered The Agony

Of a Dozen Deaths

Prominent Farmer in Canada Describes His Recovery and Escape from the Operating Table.

In a letter to friends at Saskatoon, Mr. F. Gifford, of the Ball Rock Farm, Maymont, Saskatchewan, Canada says: "Thanks to Fruitola and Traxo I am alive. I lay on my back for sixteen days, suffering the agonies of a dozen deaths. I began Fruitola and was relieved of a great many gall-stones. My health is now fully restored.

Fruitola possesses properties that act directly upon the intestinal parts. It is a great system cleanser, softening the congested waste and distributing the hardened particles that cause so much suffering, and quickly expels the accumulation to the great relief of the patient. Traxo is a tonic alterative that acts on the liver and kidneys, stimulates the flow of gastric juices to aid digestion and removes bile from the general circulation. It serves to build



up and strengthen the weakened run-down system. Fruitola, and Traxo are prepared in the Pinos laboratories at Mexico, D.F., and arrangements have been made to supply them through representative druggists. In the event they can be obtained at the Sheldor Drug Co.

and Pokio, according to information from the Canton government to the British authorities at Hong Kong, forwarded by a Reuters Hong Kong correspondent. The rebels were well supplied with arms and fought until their ammunition was exhausted. They then continued with bombs.

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